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SUBJECT: Global Economy- China - Sao Paulo Media Reaction - December 8, 2008

Title - Will socialist China save the capitalist world?

Article in liberal Folha de S. Paulo (12-08) by Charles A. Tang, President of the Brazil-China Trade and Industry Chamber says: "The present crisis, caused by excessive expenditures, gigantic indebtedness and financial speculation by the U.S. without regulation was made with emerging countries who were invited to the rich countries party to pay the bill. This was the reason why at the G-20 meeting, China and Saudi Arabia were the center of the attention because of their pockets full of money. As the only economy with impressive growth and more than US\$2 trillion of reserves, China had a well defined role: to save the capitalist world once again....The Chinese economic and financial practices, severely criticized until the outcome of the crisis, are the same that the capitalist world now expects from China.... This crisis means not only the end of the capitalism in its recently practiced form, but also give signs of the end of an era of economic and financial domain by the G7 countries and unipolar world....Although with its enviable reserves, the Chinese economy cannot, by now, substitute the U.S. gigantic economy. ...What China can do is to amortize the fall of the world economy, especially from the countries that provide strategic products that China needs for its sustainable growth and to feed its people."

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